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Title: METHOD OF REPAIRING A RAIL
USING A HIGH CARBON WELDING
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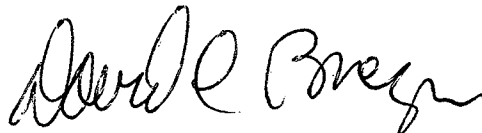
**REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT
AMENDMENT MAILED ON OCTOBER 13, 2006**

Sir:

Please accept the following changes to Claims 1, 20 and 24 as submitted in Applicant's Preliminary Amendment of October 5, 2006 in order to satisfy the requirements for properly identified claims in an amendment.

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Respectfully submitted,



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